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**Title of Invention** 

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH A

BIPOLAR TRANSISTOR, AND METHOD OF

MANUFACTURING SUCH A DEVICE

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## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

SIR:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated February 26, 2003, in connection with the above-referenced patent application.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

The applicants have further amended claims 6-8 and 11. Below is a clean version of all the pending claims 6-20. A marked-up version of only the amended claims 6-8 and 11 follows the Remarks of this response.

<sup>6. (</sup>Thrice Amended) A method of manufacturing a semiconductor device which